

OTC Fever Reducer Dosage Chart

Ibuprofen (Motrin, Advil)

Products labeled " cold ", " cold and sinus ", " multisymptom", or " PM " are not recommended for children under the age of 6, as they contain additional medications. Products may come in different doses. Read packages carefully to determine the specific concentration of liquids and/or the specific dose in each chewable or tablet. Always use the measuring device packaged with the liquid medication; do not substitute another measuring device.

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| Concentrated infants' drops: | 50 mg/ 1.25 mL |
| Children's liquid: | 100 mg/5 mL = 100 mg/1 tsp |
| Junior strength chewables: | 100 mg each |
| Junior strength caplets: | 100 mg each |
| Adult tablets or caplets: | 200 mg each |

Indication: Give for fever or pain.

Not recommended for relief of cold symptoms.

Not recommended for children under the age of 6 months

Timing: You may give a dose of ibuprofen (Motrin, Advil) every 6-8 hours.

Maximum number of doses in a 24 hour period: 4

| Weight | Childrens Liquid | Chewable/Caplet | Adult Tablets |
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| 12-17 lbs | 1/2 tsp = 2.5 mL | | |
| 18-23 lbs | 3/4 tsp = 3.75 mL | | |
| 24-35 lbs | 1 tsp = 5 mL | 1 chew/cap | |
| 36-47 lbs | 1 1/2 tsp = 7.5 mL | 1 1/2 chew/caps | |
| 48-59 lbs | 2 tsp = 10 mL | 2 chews/caps | 1 adult tablet |
| 60-71 lbs | 2 1/2 tsp = 12.5 mL | 2 1/2 chews/caps | |
| 72-95 lbs | 3 tsp = 15 mL | 3 chews/caps | |
| >95 lbs | 4 tsp = 20 mL | 4 chews/caps | 2 adult tablet |

Acetaminophen (Tylenol)

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| Infant and children's liquid: | 160 mg/ 5 mL = 160 mg/ 1 tsp |
| Children's Meltaway/chewables (age2-5): | 80 mg each |
| Junior Meltaway/ chewables (age 6-11): | 160 mg each |
| Adult regular strength tablets/caplets/capsules: | 325 mg each |
| Adult extra strength tablets/caplets/capsules: | 500 mg each |

Indication: Give for fever or pain.
Not recommended for relief of cold symptoms.
Not recommended for children under the age of 2 months

Timing: You may give a dose of acetaminophen (tylenol) every 4-6 hours.
 Maximum number of doses in a 24 hour period: 5

| Weight | Infant/Childrens Liquid | 80 mg chews | 160 mg chews | 325 mg tabs |
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| 6-11 lbs | 1/4 tsp = 1.25 mL | | | |
| 12-17 lbs | 1/2 tsp = 2.5 mL | | | |
| 18-23 lbs | 3/4 tsp = 3.75 mL | | | |
| 24-35 lbs | 1 tsp = 5 mL | 2 chews | 1 chews | |
| 36-47 lbs | 1 1/2 tsp = 7.5 mL | 3 chews | 1 1/2 chews | |
| 48-59 lbs | 2 tsp = 10 mL | 4 chews | 2 chews | 1 tablet |
| 60-71 lbs | 2 1/2 tsp = 12.5 mL | 5 chews | 2 1/2 chews | |
| 72-95 lbs | 3 tsp = 15 mL | 6 chews | 3 chews | |
| > 95 lbs | 4 tsp = 20 mL | 8 chews | 4 chews | 2 tablets |